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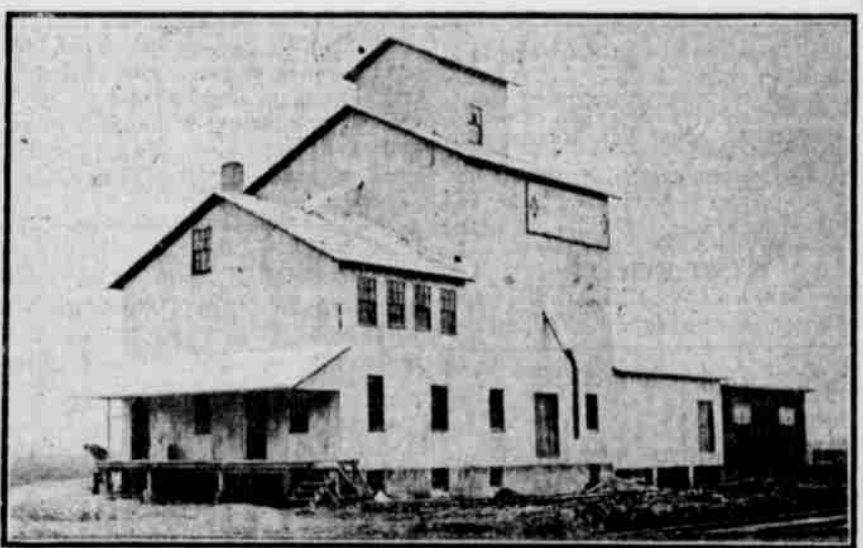
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Alma Train Schedule

Important changes have recently been made in the Ann Arbor railroad train service. The schedule as now run is as follows:

Going North.
Train No. 7..... 9:12 a.m.
Train No. 51..... 12:33 p.m.
Train No. 53..... 8:50 p.m.
Going South.
Train No. 54..... 7:30 a.m.

Train No. 48..... 10:47 a.m.
Train No. 52..... 3:33 p.m.
* Motors.

P. M. R. R.
Effective Sunday September 21.
West. **East.**
8:10 a.m. 10:15 a.m.
6:40 p.m. 9:13 p.m.
1:56 p.m. 4:36 p.m.

RIVERDALE

Frank Reynolds made a trip to Alma Saturday.

William Wilson of Alma made a trip to Riverdale Saturday.

Mr. Smith spent Sunday with his wife and family in Lakeview.

Miss Leta Carmer visited friends at Vestaburg Monday morning.

Ray Ellison of Alma made a business trip to Riverdale Monday.

Miss Ruth Van Thorn of Elm Hall was the guest of Miss Helen Williams Sunday.

Mrs. La May of Alma is spending a few days here at her home on Main street.

Mrs. Clint Nelson of Alma spent last Tuesday in Riverdale the guest of relatives.

Mrs. David Dutt returned from her visit to Detroit and Durand last Monday.

George Dormire and son, Ford, made a business trip to Ithaca and Alma Friday.

Elmer Keith left Saturday morning for Mt. Pleasant to spend his vacation with his parents.

Mrs. W. E. Swope and son, Burton, spent the last of last week with her parents in Wheeler.

Mrs. William Owen is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich, at Maple Rapids.

Earl Houck and A. J. Looker accompanied the High school team to Vestaburg Saturday evening.

Miss Iva Fallon who has been attending Big Rapids institute the past year, is home for a week's vacation.

Earl Ryckman left Monday night for Clare where he has accepted a job in a harness shop for a few weeks.

Roland Valence, who is working for Fred Sibley north of town, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Valence.

Miss Ada Hyde, who attends Big Rapids institute, is spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hyde.

Lloyd Osborn spent Monday and Tuesday in Alma last week, the guest of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Snell.

Miss Alma Matthews, who attends High school at Ithaca, is spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Riverdale Men's Study class will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Young, April 10.

The second number on the Riverdale Epworth League lecture course was rendered by the Cecilia Concert company from Albion College Saturday evening at the M. E. church.

Sunday evening the company gave a sacred concert in the church which was enjoyed by all, and we wish to secure this company every year for they certainly give a fine evening's entertainment. The money was for the purpose of building a fine physical laboratory at Albion College.

Saturday evening the Riverdale High School journeyed to Vestaburg again to clash with the Vestaburg Independents. The game was fast but the Vestaburg men thought more of playing football than they did basketball and they played a very rough game. Nevertheless our boys held their own most of the game. Meddick starred for Vestaburg and L. Osborn for Riverdale. The final score was 20 to 10 in favor of Vestaburg. Line-up:

Riverdale. Vestaburg.

Highfield.....R.E.Sprague

L. Osborn.....L.F.Stauffer

Ellison.....C.G.Meddick

King.....R.C.Davenport

F. Osborn.....L.G.L. Davenport

Time of Halves—20 minutes.

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Mrs. William Owen visited friends in Stanton Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Markham made a visit to Forest Hill Tuesday.

Roy Davenport made a business trip to Stanton last Wednesday.

Fred Rowland of Alma made a business trip to Riverdale Saturday.

James Kress of Alma made a business trip to Riverdale Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Leonard visited friends in St. Louis Saturday.

Howard L. Holmes of Alma made a business trip to Riverdale Saturday.

Milo Groom of Alma made a trip to Riverdale between trains Saturday morning.

Basket ball Saturday evening at Wyeth's hall. Riverdale H. S. vs. Vestaburg H. S. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Miss Mary Wynne left Saturday morning for Alma to spend a week's vacation with her mother, Mrs. Wynne and family.

Miss Isabella Horton of Cedar Corners spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Horton.

Miss Eva Stevenson, who attends the Normal at Ypsilanti, is spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Dutt.

Mrs. Daisy Hill of Alma, who has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Valence, returned to Alma Sunday evening.

The following who attend the High school at Alma are spending a week's vacation with their parents: Ruth Vanalstyne, Eva Baker, Rhea Fallon, Junita Sutton and Allen Highfield.

Miss Frankie Davenport of Lansing who spent several days with relatives at Vestaburg, returned to Riverdale Saturday evening to spend a few days with her brothers, John Davenport and family.

Friday evening a box social was held at the school house given by the teachers of the primary room and intermediate room, for the purpose of raising money to buy some things that were necessary for these rooms. A fair crowd was present and a fine program was given by the scholars. After supper, games were played. They cleared about \$11.

The company consisted of Miss Lois Mills, pianist, Miss Lou Byram, violinist, and Miss Myra Salisbury, contralto and director, and Miss Alabed Sackett, a talented reader. Miss Mills and Miss Byram rendered several pieces, which were nonpareil, and Miss Salisbury's wonderful contralto voice seemed to fill the church and was enjoyed by everyone. Miss Sackett, as a reader, was fine and gave several beautiful selections.

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VALIANTS OF VIRGINIA

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tremulous. It had been her best available moment, and she had used it.

As she moved away, her faint color slightly heightened, she was glad of the interruption. It was better as it was. When John Vallant came to her again.

But to him, as he stood watching her move lightly from him, there was vouchsafed illumination. It came to him suddenly that that placidity and hauteur which he had so admired in the old days were no mask for fires within. The exquisite husk was the real Katharine. Hers was the loveliness of some tall white lily cut in marble, splendid but chill. And with the thought, between him and her there swept through the shimmering candle-lighted air a breath of wet rose-fragrance like an impalpable cloud, and set in the midst of it a misty startled gown sprayed with mists of the valley, and above it a girl's face clear and vivid, her deep shadow-blue eyes fixed on his.

The music of a two-step was languishing when, a little later, Vallant and Shirley strolled down between the garden box-hedges, cypress-shaped and lifting spire-like toward a sky which bent, a silent canopy of mauve and purplish blue. Behind them Damory court lay a nest of woven music and laughter. The long white-muslined porch shimmered goldenly, and beside it under the lanterns dalled a flirtatious couple or two, ghost-like in the shadows.

"Come," he said. "Let me take you to see the sun-dial now."

The tangle had been cut away and a narrow gravel-path led through the pruned creepers. She made an exclamation of delight. The onyx-pillar stood in an oasis of white-moonflowers, white dahlias, mignonette and narcissus; bars of late lilies-of-the-valley beyond these, bordered with Arum lilies, white clematis, iris and bridal wreath, shading out into tender paler hues that ringed the spotless purity like dawning passion.

"White for happiness," he quoted. "You said that when you brought me here—the day we planted the ramblers. Do you remember what I said? That some day, perhaps, I should love this spot the best of all at Damory court." He was silent a moment, tracing with his finger the motto on the dial's rim. "When I was very little," he went on—"hardly more than three years old, I think—my father and I had a play, in which we lived in a great mansion like this. It was called Wishing House, and it was in the middle of the Never-Never Land—a sort of beautiful fairy country in which everything happened right. I know now that the Never-Never Land was Virginia, and that Wishing House was Damory court. No wonder my father loved it! No wonder his memory turned back to it always! I've wanted to make it as it was when he lived here. And I want the old dial to count happy hours for me."

Something had crept into his tone that struck her with a strange sweet terror and tumult of mind. The hand that clutched her skirts about her knees had begun to tremble and she caught the other hand to her cheek in a vague hesitant gesture. The moonflowers seemed to be great round eyes staring up at her.

"Shirley," he said, and now his voice was shaken with longing—"will you make my happiness for me?" She was standing perfectly still against the sun dial, both hands, laced together, against her breast, her eyes on his with a strange startled look. Over the hush of the garden now, like the very soul of the passionate night, throbbed the haunting barcarole of "Tales of Hoffmann."

"Night of stars and night of love"—an inarticulate echo of his longing. He took a step toward her, and she turned like one in sudden terror seeking a way of escape. But he caught her close in his arms.